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FOLLOWING REPEAT BELIZE 396 ACTION SECSTATE 7 JUL

QUOTE

UNCLAS BELIZE 396

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: CASC, CGEN, BH

SUBJECT: ENTRY OF US REGISTERED VESSEL "KIRSTA K" TO BELIZE

1. ON JUNE 24, 1975, BELIZE COMPTROLLER OF CUSTOMS TELFORD VERNON TOLD POST THAT THE KIRSTA K, A 106 TON LANDING CRAFT (LCI) US REGISTRY 252797, LANDED AT COROZAL, NORTHERN BELIZE WITH SEVERAL TRACTORS AND OTHER PIECES OF FARM MACHINERY. H VERNON SAID THE VESSEL HAD NEITHER PRIOR PORT CLEARANCES NOR OWNERSHIP DOCUMENTS FOR THE VESSEL OR THE MACHINERY AT THE TIME OF ENTRY. THE REPORTED OWNER OF THE VESSEL IS AMCIT H. D. KIRK, A RESIDENT RANCHER AND DEALER IN AGRICULTURAL EQUIPMENT. THE REPORTED CAPTAIN IS AMCIT JAMES BLACK, ALSO A RESIDENT OF BELIZE. ACCORDING TO VERNON, KIRK SAID THAT THEY LEFT TITUSVILLE, FLORIDA, ON JUNE 4 AND WERE DELAYED 8 DAYS IN PUERTO MORELOS, MEXICO, FOR REPAIRS.

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2. MACHINERY INCLUDES 4 CATERPILLAR TRACTORS DESCRIBED AS:

ONE D 8 NUMBER 13A-1-852
ONE D 7 NUMBER 3T-4842
ONE D 6 NUMBER 941-4689
ONE 977 NUMBER 10A-6

ALSO INCLUDED IS ONE HV9 ALICE CHALMERS LOADER, NUMBER HD-98-4107
AS WELL AS UNNUMBERED MACHINERY INCLUDING TWO HARROWS, ONE HOE,
ONE CHAIN SAW, AND ASSORTED TRACTOR PARTS.

3. ON JULY 1, VERNON ASKED POST TO CONTACT MIAMI COAST GUARD
AND POLICE OFFICIALS TO DETERMINE IF:

A. THE VESSEL REQUIRED A PORT CLEARANCE TO LEAVE FROM TITUSVILLE.

B. THE MACHINERY IS THE PROPERTY OF OR LEGALLY UNDER THE CONTROL
OF H.D. KIRK.

4. POST REQUESTS DEPARTMENT CONTACT APPROPRIATE FLORIDA OFFICIALS
TO ASCERTAIN THE FOREGOING. GAWF
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